Amount spent on agricultural schemes

4262. SHRI KANAKSINH MOHANS1NH MANGROLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleaded to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that less amount is being spent on the agricultural schemes as compared to the previpus years;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what has been the total amount spent, annually during the last three years; and

(c) what efforts are being made to give more importance to agriculture?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir. The expenditure for agricultural schemes (both plan and non-plan) has been increasing over the base year of 1989-90 except 1993-94 when the expenditure (provisional) was less than the previous three years.

(b) The figures of expenditure during the last three years are given below;

(Rs. in crores)

Year	Expenditure Plan and Non-Plan
1991-92	3112.77
1992-93	3410.09
1993-94	2388.21 (provisional)

(c) Government have given a very high priority to the Agricultural Sector in the 8th Fvie Year plan. The outlay for Agriculture Development Programmes has been substantially raised by about 193% during the 8th Plan to the level of Rs. 7400.00 crores over expenditure of about Rs. 2522.00 crores in the 7th Five Year Plan. The Strategy for Agricultural Development in the 8th plan aims at not only achieving self-sufficiency in food but also generating surpluses of specific agricultural commodities for export to increase the income level of the farmers. The Government have also formulated a draft Agriculture Policy Resolution, copies of which have been placed in the Parliament on 14th May, 1993 to accelerate all round development and economic viability of agriculture.

फसल बीमा योजना के अंतर्गत धनराशि में वृद्धि किया जाना

4263. श्री आस मोहम्मद:
श्री कनकसिंह मोहनसिंह मंगरोला:
क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार बाढ़ प्रवण, सूखा प्रवण और भूकम्प प्रवण क्षेत्रों में फसल बीमा योजना के अन्तर्गत धनराशि में वृद्धि करने का विचार रखती है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अरविन्द नेताम): (क) जी, नहीं।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता।

(ग) फसल बीमा योजना के अन्तर्गत किसी अधिसूचित क्षेत्र में किसानों को देय दावे के भुगतान गारन्टीशुदा पैदावार की तुलना में उस अधिसूचित क्षेत्र मे औसत वास्तविक पैदावार में आई गिरावट पर निर्भर होते हैं। चूंकि भुगतान की जाने वाली प्रतिपूर्ति का संबंध अधिसूचित क्षेत्र के किसानों को हुए नुकसान से होता है, अत: प्राकृतिक आपदा प्रवण क्षेत्रों के लिए अलग से कोई प्रबन्ध करने की आवश्यकता नहीं है।

Request for Exemption from Agricultural Land Ceiling Act

4264. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRI RAJNIRANJAN SAHU:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of Maharashtra have requested the Central Government to grant exemption from Agricultural Land Ceiling Act for the development of horticultural sector;

(b) if so, what was the precise plan of the Government of Maharashtra; and

(c) what was the Central Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) and (b) A proposal was received from the Government of Maharashtra which envisaged permitting an individual or a firm, trust, company cooperativcsociety for the

purpose of cultivation of horticulture produce or the Agro-processing unit to hold beyond ceiling limit cultivable land on lease from the farmers for a period not exceeding 35 years or uncultivable land viz. Wasteland, fallow land, Khajan Khar land on ownership or on lease from a farmer or both combined.

(c) The State Government has been advised to reconsider their proposal in the light of the Guidelines on Ceiling on Agricultural Holdings drawn up on the basis of the conclusions arrived at in the Chief Ministers' Conference held in July, 1972.

Production of Groundnut Linseed Rapeseed and Soyabean

4265. SHRI SURINDER KUMAR SINGLA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)what is the total production of groundnut
linseed, rapeseed, and Soyabean in Maharashtra and Punjab;

(b) whether the scheme of giving boost to oilseed production are showing results in these States;

(c) the other States, where these schemes are showing results;

(d) what is the target for Maharashtra in oilseed production for the current year; and

(e)what is the response of Maharashtra and Punjab Governments to the central Schemes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE. (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUAMR): (a) The total production of groundnut, linseed, rapeseed-mustard and soyabean in Maharashtra and Punjab for the year 1992-93 was as under;—

(Thousand Tonnes)

	Ground nut	Lins eed	Rapseed & Soyabean
Maharashtra		28.3	2.0
Punjab	120	0.4	66.0

(b) There has been a distinct improvement in the production of total oilseeds in Maharashtra state. However in Punjab, there is slow oilseeds improvement in the production of

(c) As a result of the implementation of Centrally Sponsored Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP), the production of oilseeds has increased in the states of Andhra Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Gujarat, Haryana, Kamataka Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Orissa, Punjab, Rajasthan, Tamil Nadu and West Bengal.

(d) A production target of 27 lakh tonnes has been fixed by the Maharashtra state for oilseeds for the year 1994-95.

(e) The Maharashtra State is implementing Oilseeds Production Programme (OPP) in 27 districts in the state and increasing its production. However, Punjab State is concentrating only on promoting the cultivation of Sunflower & Rapeseed-Mustard. The response from both these states is encouraging.

बाढ़-नियंत्रण के लिए विशेष योजना का बनाया जाना

4266. श्री रामजी लाल: क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने प्रति वर्ष आने वाली बाढ़ को नियंत्रित करने के संबंध में कोई विशेष योजना बनाई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या योजना आयोग ने इस योजना को राष्ट्रीय विकास परिषद् (एन.डी.सी.) की दिसम्बर में होने वाली बैठक में स्वीकृत कराये जाने के लिए मंजूरी दे दी है;

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस योजना पर कितना खर्च आएगा जिससे कि बाढ़ के कारण होने वाले नुकसान को रोका जा सके; और

(ङ) हाल ही में आई बाढ़ को रोकने के लिए सरकार ने कितनी धनराशि प्रदान की है और विशेषकर हरियाणा के संदर्भ में उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री अरविंद नेताम): (क) से (ङ) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Unhealthy Living Conditions of Earthquake Victims

4267. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: SHRIMATI KAMLA SINHA: DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the unhealthy living conditions of the earthquake